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To: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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Subject:

**Continuation Application of**  
Serial No.: 10/197,049 7/17/02  
  
SHAO-YU CHOU  
  
METHOD OF SPLIT GATE FLASH MEMORY  
REFERENCE CELLS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment for the above referenced Continuation Patent Application. Please amend the above identified application for patent as follows:

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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